

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 338

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Caroline Burchett, 2013
Salutatorian of Clarksville Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Caroline Burchett is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class at Clarksville Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Caroline has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Burchett has earned an exemplary grade point average of 4.0 while graciously dedicating her time and energies to numerous scholastic and extracurricular efforts, including serving as Captain of the Varsity Dance Team, Treasurer and Vice President of the National Junior Honor Society and National Honor Society, Hours Secretary of the Key Club, and Co-editor of the yearbook; and

WHEREAS, she has served as Recruiter, Secretary, Vice President, and President of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and member of the Prom Committee, Varsity Bowling Team, Future Business Leaders of America, Concert Choir, and Show Choir; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Caroline has served as a participant at Rivers and Spires/RiverFest, as a bell ringer for the Salvation Army, and as a volunteer for Operation Home Front and Operation Serve; she participated in the Explorers Medical Program; she has served as a tutor at Beyond the Books; she teaches a weekly dance class; and she has served as a member of the Elite Express Competition Dance Team/Acro Dance Express; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Burchett has been named to the Honor Roll, she served as a Volunteer Girl's State Participant and Youth Leadership Clarksville

Participant, she was named Miss Clarksville Academy by the school's teachers and faculty, she has studied abroad in Spain and Costa Rica, and she is a recipient of the Female Top Scholar Award; and

WHEREAS, she is also the recipient of a \$9,000 Merit Scholarship from Belmont University, a \$2,000 Leadership Scholarship from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, an \$8,000 Dean Scholarship, and a \$6,000 Academic Scholarship from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, Caroline's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at Samford University, which she plans to attend; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Edward and Theresia Burchett, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Caroline Burchett's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Clarksville Academy Salutatorian, Caroline Burchett, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.